
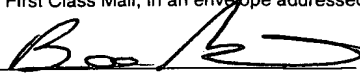
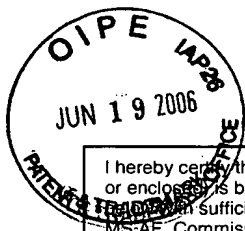




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				Group Art Unit 2136	
Applicant(s): Inokuchi et al.				Docket No. SONYJP 3.3-731	
Invention: DATA DECODING APPARATUS AND METHOD, CHARGE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, DATA REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, ELECTRONIC MONEY, ELECTRONIC USE RIGHT, AND TERMINAL APPARATUS					
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Dear Sir:

In response to the official action dated  
March 29, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-11, and 49-63, please  
amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: